

HOUSE BILL 3901
By Mumpower

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 8, relative to the practice of optometry.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-8-113(c)(6), is amended by deleting the current language in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(6) Practice or offer to practice optometry in, or in conjunction with, any retail store or other commercial establishment where merchandise is displayed or offered for sale. Any licensed, registered optometrist practicing in premises of such type prior to June 1, 2006, shall be permitted to continue the independent practice in that optometrist's present location, but when any such optometrist vacates any such premises or the base lease for such location expires or is renewed, whichever is later, no other optometrist shall be permitted to practice in such vacated premises unless such location is remodeled or reconstructed to comply with this section;

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.